

**FISCAL RESEARCH DIVISION**  
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# DEQ Division of Water Resources



# Outline

- Mission
- Budget and FTE
- Sections
- Budget actions
- Other activities



# DWR: Mission

*To efficiently and effectively protect the State's surface water and groundwater resources through:*

- Water quality monitoring
- Permitting
- Management
- Enforcement

## 2019-20 Base Budget

Requirements: \$42.3 m

Receipts: \$29.2 m

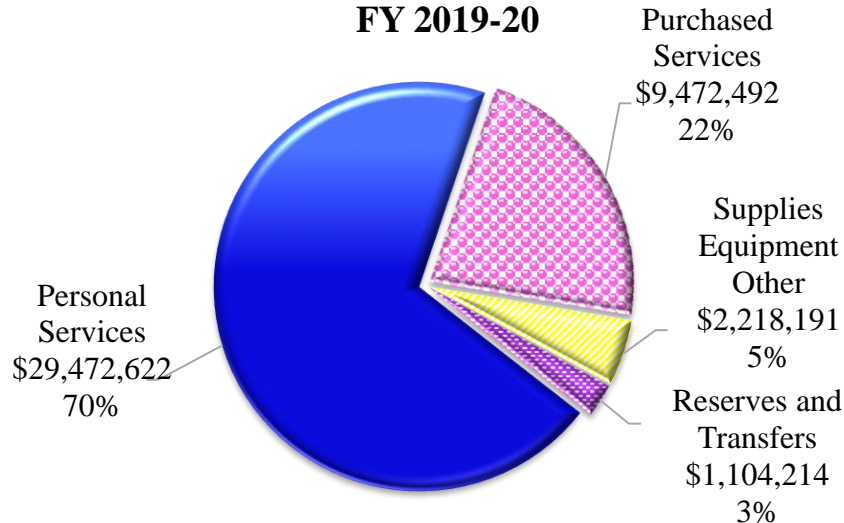
Net Approp.: \$13.1 m

369.91 FTE



# DWR: General Fund Budget

**Total General Fund Requirements  
FY 2019-20**



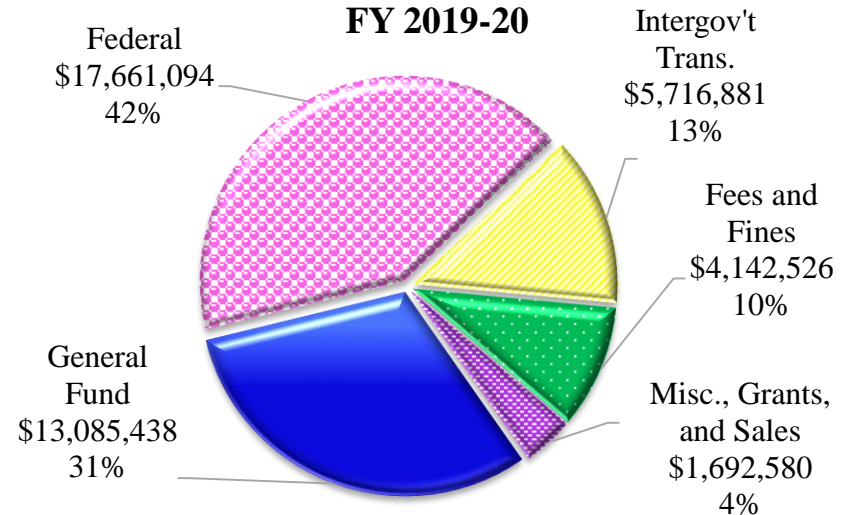
## Total General Fund FTE

Appropriated:	130.897
<u>Receipt Supported:</u>	<u>239.013</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>369.910</b>

## Total General Fund Budget

Requirements:	\$42,298,519
<u>Receipts:</u>	<u>\$29,213,081</u>
<b>Net GF Approp.:</b>	<b>\$13,085,438</b>

**Source of Funds  
FY 2019-20**



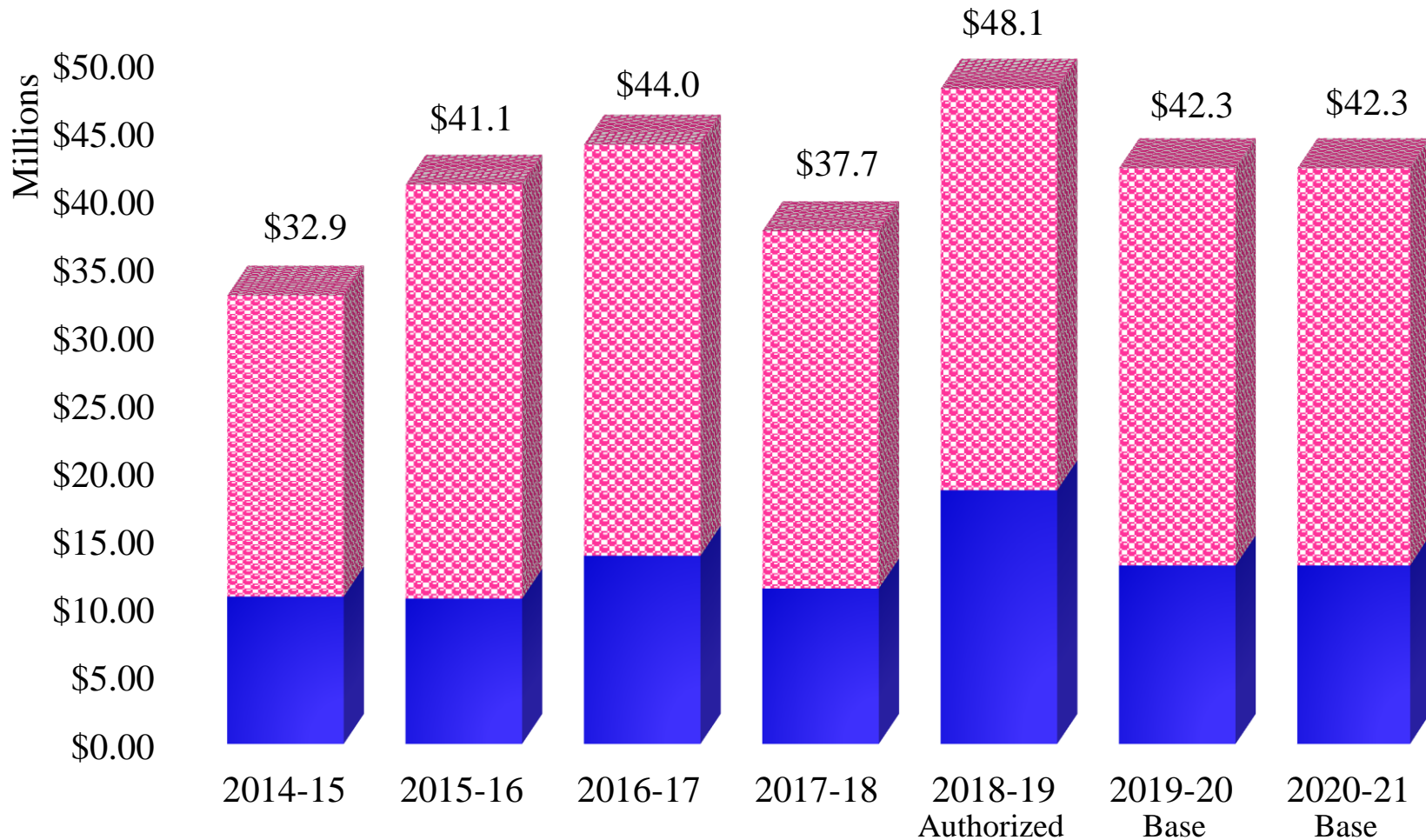
Source: Base Budget Worksheet I



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# DWR: 5-Year Expenditure



Source: BD701s and Base Budget (Worksheet I) ■ Net GF Appropriation ■ Revenue





# DWR: Public Water Supply

- Regulate public water supply systems
- Implement Safe Drinking Water Act
- Plan review and approval
- Emergency responses
- Complaint investigations
- Capacity development

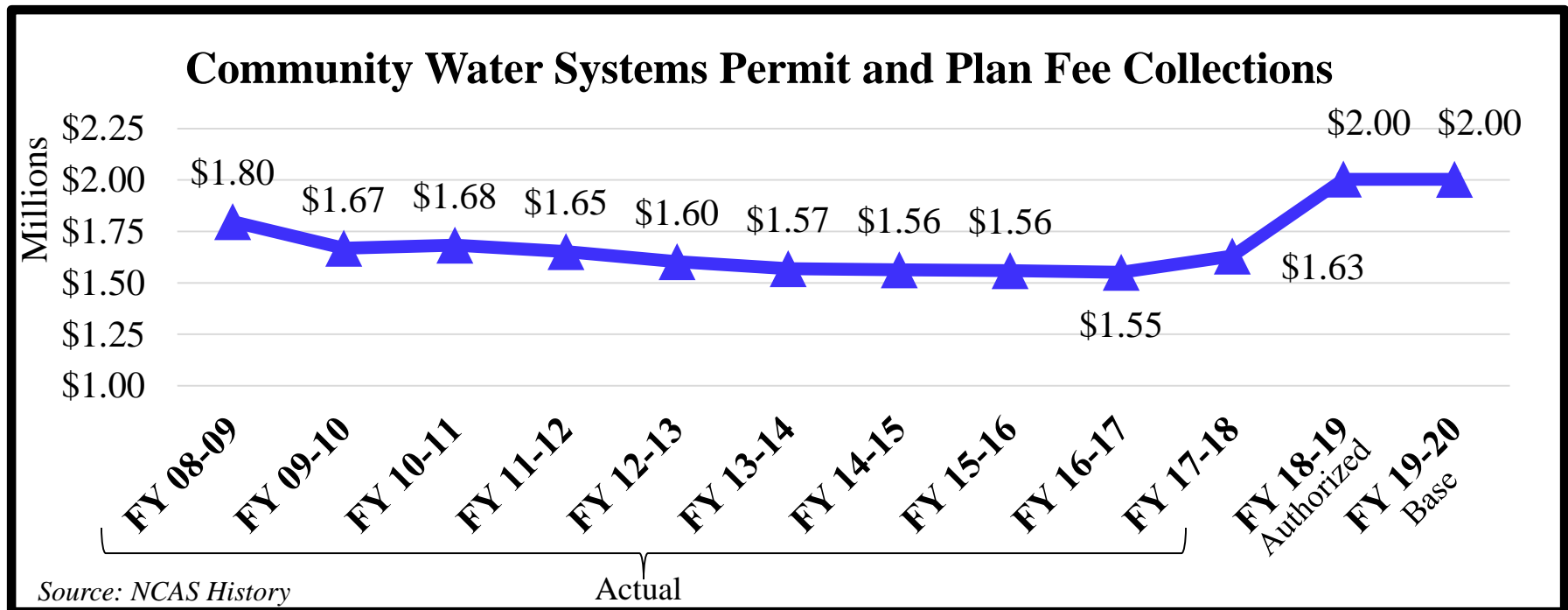
**~ 6,000 systems in NC**



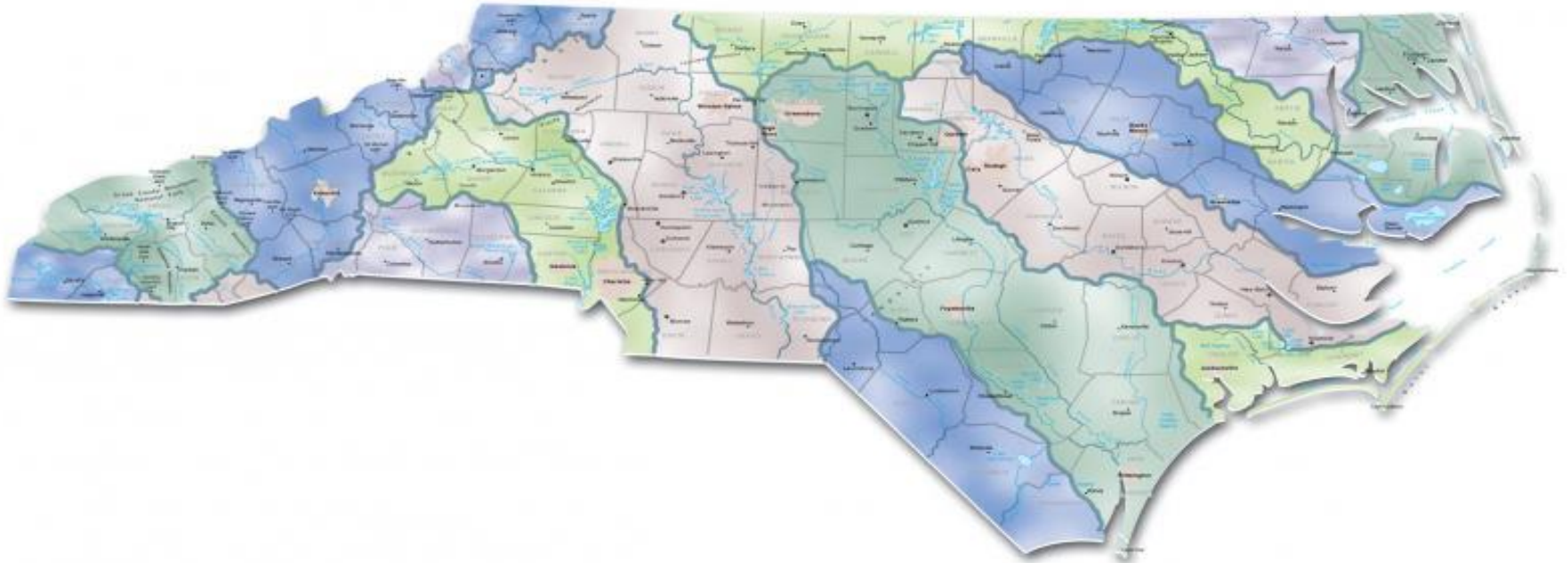
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All community and non-transient non-community water systems must have a permit to operate. (G.S. 130A-328)

Fees: \$150 to \$5,950



# DWR: Water Resource Planning



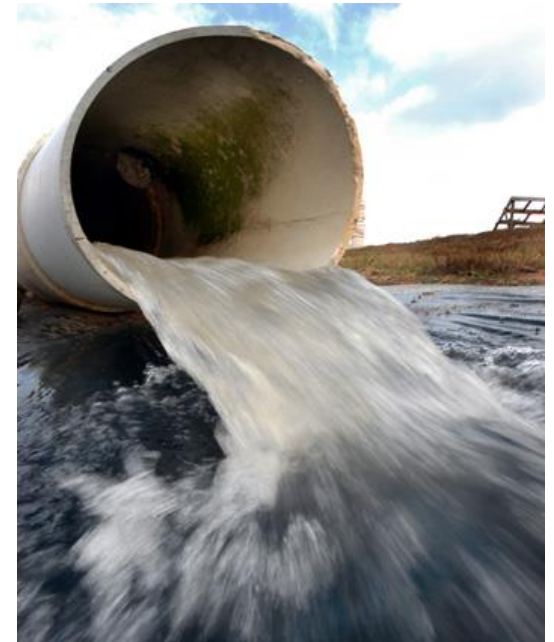
- Nonpoint source pollution control
- Classification, standards, and rules review
- Basin planning
- Information technology
- Technical assistance to locals
- Groundwater management
- Modeling and assessment





# DWR: Water Quality Permitting

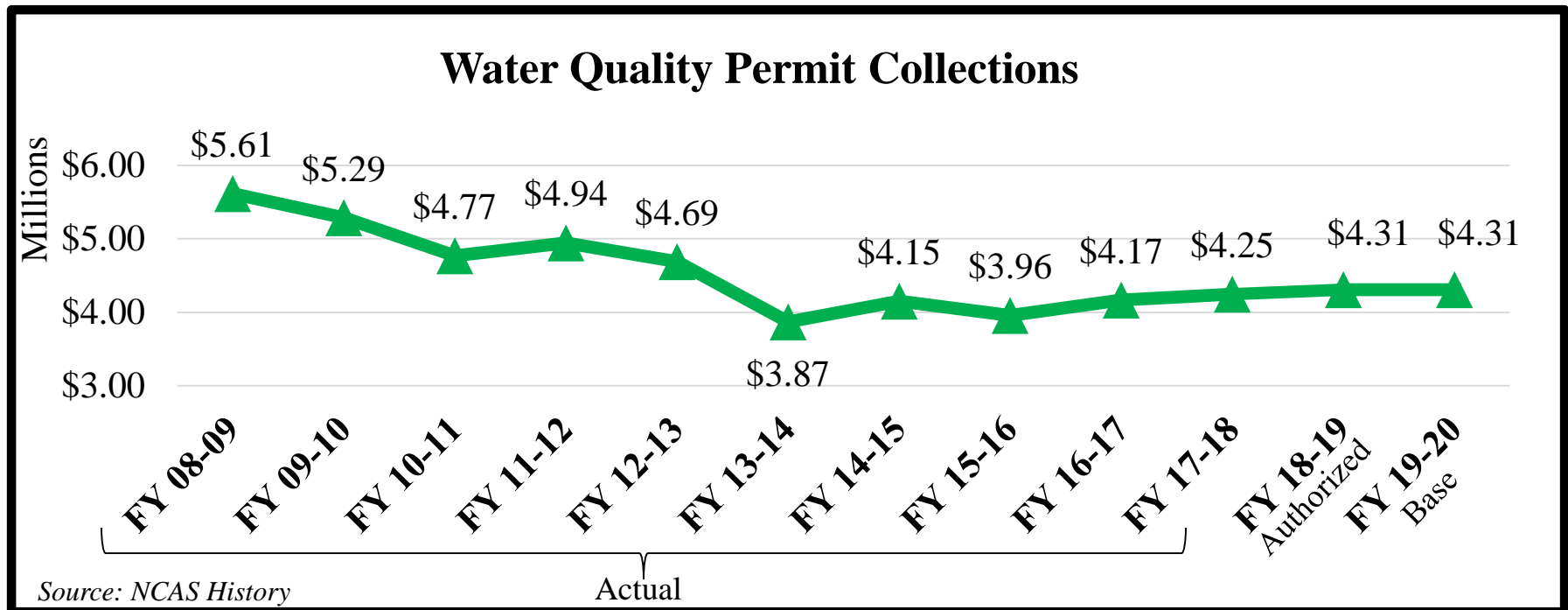
- Non-Discharge
- Complex permitting
- Compliance and expedited permitting
- Pretreatment, emergency response, and collection systems
- 401 and buffer permitting
- Transportation permitting



# DWR: Water Quality Permitting

Discharge and nondischarge wastewater and stormwater permits  
(G.S. 143-215.1; G.S. 143-215.3D; G.S. 143-215.10A *et seq.*)

Annual Fee: \$60 to \$3,440



# DWR: Water Quality Regional Operations



# DWR: Water Sciences

- Aquatic toxicology
- Intensive survey
- Biological assessment
- Ecosystems
- Estuarine monitoring
- Organic chemistry
- Certification
- Microbiology and inorganic chemistry



# DWR: 2017-19 Budget Actions

## 2017 Budget

- Transferred 2.0 FTE to receipt support (\$151,924) R

## 2018 Budget

- Appropriated \$5 million NR to Resource Institute for a beach nourishment study
- Provided \$1 million R for sampling and analysis related to PFAS/GenX
- Authorized expenditure of \$1.33 m NR for time-limited positions, sampling, and analysis
- Provided \$537,000 NR for a mass spectrometer

## Disaster Funding

- S.L. 2018-136 (Florence II) provided \$2 million NR for a coastal needs assessment
- S.L. 2018-138 (Florence III) provided \$18.5 million NR for Coastal Storm Damage Mitigation Fund





# DWR: Other Funds

## Shallow Draft Navigation Channel Dredging and Aquatic Weed Fund

*(G.S. 143-215.73F)*

- State's share of costs for dredging
- Siting and acquisition of dredged disposal easements on the Intracoastal borders
- Aquatic weed control projects
- Beach and inlet project manager position



### Revenue to the Fund:

- G.S. 7A-3 – WRC Boating Account: 50% of each three-year certificate of number fee collected
- G.S. 75A-38 – WRC Certificate of Title: \$10 per \$30 certificate
- G.S. 105-449.126 – Highway Fund: 1% of the excise tax on motor fuel



# DWR: Other Funds

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*(G.S. 143-215.73F)*

### 2018 Budget

- Earmarked \$15 million for Dare County dredge
- Increased aquatic weed limit from \$500,000 to \$1 million



# DWR: Other Funds

## Coastal Storm Damage Mitigation Fund

*G.S. 143-215.73M*

### 2018 Legislative Actions

- S.L. 2018-5 transferred \$5 million from Utility Account
- S.L. 2018-138 allocated \$18.5 million from the Florence Disaster Recovery Fund



# Questions?

Stu's Views

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